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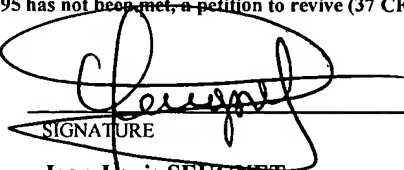
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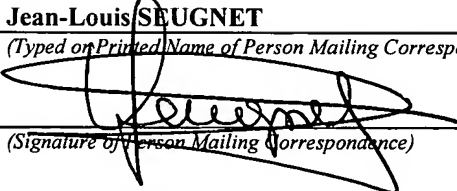
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN) <b>10/533227</b> NOT APPLICABLE	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/FR2003/003196</b>		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>10/28/2003</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>10/30/2002</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CARBOXYLIC ACIDS</b>					
APPLICANT (S) FOR DO/EO/US: <b>Didier BONNET, Daniel AMAROS, Jean-Pierre SIMONATO, Frédéric AUGIER and Maria Ignez BROGLIO</b>					
Applicant herewith submits the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and 24 indicated below.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c) (2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). "Signed" or "Unsigned"</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210)</li> </ol>					
Items 13 to 18 below concern document(s) or information included:					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail.</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/308 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/332 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 French version <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 English Version</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/409 French Version <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/409 Translation in English Language</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/416 French version <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/416 English Version</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PCT/FR2003/003196 as published</li> </ol> </li> </ol>					

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24. The following fees are submitted: <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic National Fee..... \$300.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) examination fee ..... \$200.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search Fee..... \$500.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof..... \$0.00 Total of above calculation..... \$1000.00 <div style="text-align: right;"><b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b></div>				CALCULATIONS PTO ONLY			
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$0.00			
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Total Claims	19 - 20 =	0	X \$50.00	\$0.00			
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	X \$200.00	\$0.00			
Multiple Dependent Claims (Check if applicable)				+ \$360.00	\$0.00		
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$0.00			
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. (See 37 CFR 1.127). The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$0.00			
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$1,000.00			
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) (check if applicable)				\$0.00			
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a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <b>18-1171</b> in the amount of <b>\$1,000.00</b> to cover the above fees. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>18-1171</b> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. <b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b>							
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<p>I hereby certify that this</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transmittal letter sending documents referred to herein</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification with Abstract ( 17 pages)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Drawings ( Number pages)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Declaration/Power of Attorney (<input type="checkbox"/> signed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unsigned),</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement with copies of references</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment ( 6 pages)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>PCT/FR2003/003196</b> as published</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Signed Assignment and Recordation Sheet</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limited Recognition under 37 CFR § 10.9(b)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/306</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/308</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/332</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 French Version</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/409 French Version</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/416 French Version</p> </div> <div> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/ISA/210 English Version</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/409 Translation in English</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IPEA/416 English Version</p> </div> </div>			
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